

2023
SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE

The Two Gates
 Matthew 7:13-23

Choose _____ Over Broad

- This is an _____ regarding eternal life.
- Two gates, two ways, two _____.
- No other means of _____ except thru Jesus. (Jn. 14:6; Acts 4:12)

True and False _____

- Polluted Gospel: Christ + something = _____
- Pure Gospel: Christ + nothing = _____!
- Seeking and finding are closely _____.
 (Jer. 29:11-14)

Choose Accuracy Over _____ (7:15)

- First step to combat false prophets – _____ of them!
- False prophets are _____.
- Cults and world religions are satan's "_____."
- Satan disguises himself as an _____.
 (2Cor. 11:14)

Identifying False _____ (7:16-20)

- False prophets often live and act like _____.
- What makes a false prophet dangerous is his _____.
- "By their fruits" is referring to what comes from their _____. (Matt 12:33-37)

True and False _____

- We cannot identify false prophets by their _____.
- We cannot identify false prophets by their _____.
- At judgment day, many will talk about their _____ not their _____!

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SCHEDULE

Sunday
 Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday
 Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
 Cheryl Bliss

ELDER for January Eric Bliss
 LADIES COMMITTEE for January Barbara Grimm



JANUARY 15TH 2023

Order Of Worship
 Song Leader: Ryan Bliss

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

755 When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder
 669 This Is My Father's World

Prayer.....Dave Gastellum

380 Just As I Am

Lord's Supper.....Jerry Hopkins

542 Purer In Heart

Offering.....Dennis Grimm

977 The Battle Belongs To The Lord

Scripture Reading.....Dave Gastellum

Morning Service....."The Two Gates ".....with Roy Senior

756 When We All Get To Heaven
 583 Sing To Me Of Heaven

Closing Prayer.....Brian Donaghe

Potluck following morning Services.....

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Jan 15th	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Potluck directly following morning services
16th	Beth Annie Capshaw's birthday
18th	Evening Service @ 6:30 PM George Moll's birthday
21st	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30

MONTHLY POTLUCK

Our monthly potluck is today. If you have any questions. Please see Barbara Grimm. A short Devo will directly follow the potluck & conclude our services for the day. If you have any questions, please see one of the Elders.



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

You don't need a new year or a new day to start over.
You only need a new mindset.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, BUT be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will. ~Romans 12:2

- Please keep the family of **Shawn Brown** in your prayers. He passed away last Saturday night at UCLA medical center. Services were held this past Thursday here at the building. Continue to keep his wife **Maria** & son **Derek** in your prayers as well as his parents **Dave & Monie** & all those who loved him.
- Please continue to keep **Alora Cottam** & the entire **Cottam & Ibarra** families in your prayers following the loss of her son **Rick**.
- Please keep the **Doan family** who lost their 5 yr. old son **Kyle**, in the flooding. Prayers they will recover him & find peace & comfort.
- Jerry & Sandy Hopkins** asked for prayers for their granddaughter **Tessa**. Following her last surgery there is some nerve damage & she is unable to walk at this time. The doctors are evaluating her status & trying to formulate a plan to remedy her condition.
- Laura Crownover** asked for prayers on behalf of her friends **Ed & Margaret Romine**. **Ed** was diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer of the lungs & will be starting Chemo & radiation treatments soon. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Diane Hemeon** & her household are still testing positive for COVID. Please keep her, **Holly & Pam** in your prayers as they work together taking care of each other.
- Please continue to keep **Jimmy Williams** in your prayers as he regains his strength after his bout with COVID.
- Please keep **Rita Timmons** in your prayers as she is battling a lung infection. She spent some time in Lompoc ER this past week.
- Mike Darnton** asked for prayers for his boss **Kelly** & her husband **Brandon**. They sustained damage from the storm & are essentially trapped on their property waiting for the county to assist in debris removal.
- Lynn & Shelli** asked for prayers for their coworker, **Brenda**, who will be starting Chemo again next week. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Please keep all those **suffering with colds, flu & other illnesses** in your prayers.

ENCOURAGING WORDS

Check Your Mirror!

It happens to Americans every day of their lives. Few of us like the way we look the first time we see ourselves each day in the mirror, so it is not long before we begin making changes to our appearance. Usually, before we leave the house, we take a final look in the mirror hoping that we look presentable to others!

James describes the Bible as a mirror. "Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like." (**Jas. 1:23-24**). It is remarkable how God uses the simplest aspects of our lives to illustrate truth. To look into His mirror, the Bible, and to see our spiritual needs and do nothing about them just does not make sense. It is even more foolish than that person who looks into a regular mirror, sees something which destroys his appearance and then walks away forgetting what the mirror showed him.

Paul describes the Bible as a mirror with the power to change you. "And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." (**2 Cor. 3:18**). These words are much like the words from James, but Paul sees that person as spending time looking into the mirror, but not seeing just self. He looks into the mirror and sees Jesus in His radiant glory. The present tense of "being transformed" indicates an ongoing process. He does not just see the Lord once, and then he is immediately and completely changed. He sees the Lord. He spends time gazing at Him. The glory of the Lord becomes his standard, and he is being changed into the very image of the Christ.

Consider some "mirror rules" for those seeking to change their appearance. We must come to our mirror, His word, with an open, sincere heart and see His image clearly. We must come with a determination to change the flaws we see in ourselves in that mirror. We must spend time seeing the glory of the One in the mirror, mediate on what we see and then change our lives to become like that One. We need to think often about this, knowing that it takes time to become just like Him. R. Senior